

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

For the Examiner's convenience, a list of all claims is included below.

1. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:

defining a source associated with data, the data stored in a structured environment and mapped to the source to enable retrieval thereof, wherein the source includes a source business object, a source business component, and at least one source field;

defining a destination to enable the data to be mapped thereto, wherein the destination includes a destination business object, a destination business component, and at least one destination field; and

mapping the data stored in the structured environment to the destination to enable retrieval thereof, the data remaining mapped to the source, and wherein a physical storage location of the data in the structured environment is unaltered.
2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the source business object and the destination business object comprise different business objects.
3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the source business component comprises an active business component.
4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein defining the source and defining the destination include identifying the source business object, the source business component, the

at least one source field, the destination business object, the destination business component, and the at least one destination field via a user interface display comprising at least one form applet.

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, where mapping the data includes incorporating identifying data location information from the at least one source field into the at least one destination field.

6. (Currently amended) An article of manufacture, comprising:
a machine-readable medium that provides instructions, including instructions to:
identify data stored in a structured environment and mapped to a user-specified source, the user-specified source including a source business object, a source business component, and at least one source field; and
map the data to a user-specified destination, the user-specified destination including a destination business object, a destination business component, and at least one destination field, the data remaining mapped to the user-specified source and wherein a physical storage location of the data in the structured environment is unaltered.

7. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture of claim 6, wherein the instructions to identify data include instructions to:
cause generation of a user interface display, the user interface display including a plurality of data fields corresponding to the source business object, the source business component, and the at least one source field, the plurality of data fields configured to receive a user input to specify the source; and

process the user input to identify the data corresponding to identifying data location information associated with the at least one source field.

8. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture of claim 6, wherein the instructions to map the data to the user-specified destination include instructions to incorporate identifying data location information associated with the at least one source field into the at least one destination field.

9. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture of claim 6, wherein the instructions to map the data to the user-specified destination include instructions to cause generation of a user interface display, the user interface display including a plurality of data fields corresponding to the destination business object, the destination business component, and the at least one destination field, the plurality of data fields configured to receive a user input to specify the destination.

10. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture of claim 6, wherein the instructions to map the data to the user-specified destination include instructions to map the data to the destination business object, wherein the destination business object comprises the source business object.

11. (Currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:
a processor;
a memory, coupled to the processor, to store a plurality of instructions;

an input/output interface, coupled to the processor, to communicate with an input/output device; and

a communications interface, coupled to the processor, to communicate with a database, wherein the database includes data stored according to a schema and mapped to a source to enable retrieval thereof, the source including a source business object, a source business component, and at least one source field,

wherein execution of the plurality of instructions by the processor, in response to a user input of the source and a destination via the input/output device, the destination including a destination business object, a destination business component, and at least one destination field, causes identification of the data mapped to the source and incorporation of identifying data location information associated with the at least one source field into the at least one destination field, the data remaining mapped to the source, and wherein a physical storage location of the data in the database is unaltered.

12. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the database comprises a relational database management system database.

13. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 11, further comprising a display interface, coupled to the processor, to communicate with a coupled display,

wherein execution of the plurality of instructions by the processor further causes the display interface to cause generation of a user interface display on the coupled display, the user interface display including a plurality of data fields corresponding to the source and destination business objects, the source and destination business components, the at least one source field,

and the at least one destination field, the plurality of data fields configured to receive the user input of the source and the destination.

14. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the user interface display includes a plurality of form applets to enable a user to input source and destination information.

15. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the data field corresponding to the at least one source field may be populated with a field identifier defined in the source business component or a free-text calculated expression.